

**Table 419. Total public direct expenditures on education as a percentage of the gross national product:  
1985 to 1995**

Country	All institutions <sup>1</sup>					Primary and secondary institutions					Higher education institutions				
	1985	1990	1993	1994	1995	1985	1990	1993	1994	1995	1985	1990	1993	1994	1995
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Average for year .....	5.3	4.9	5.1	5.0	4.9	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.4	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9
Average for countries reporting data for all years .....	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.4	5.3	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.6	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Australia .....	5.4	4.3	4.7	4.4	4.5	3.5	3.2	3.5	3.2	3.2	1.7	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.2
Austria .....	5.6	5.2	5.3	—	5.3	3.7	3.6	3.5	—	3.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	—	0.9
Belgium .....	6.3	4.8	5.5	5.5	5.0	4.0	3.4	3.6	3.8	3.4	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.9
Canada .....	6.1	5.4	6.2	6.0	5.8	4.1	3.7	4.2	4.2	4.0	2.0	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.5
Czech Republic .....	—	—	—	—	4.8	—	—	—	—	3.4	—	—	0.7	0.8	0.7
Denmark .....	6.2	6.2	6.7	6.5	6.5	4.7	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.3
Finland .....	5.8	6.4	7.3	6.6	6.6	—	4.3	4.7	4.4	4.2	—	1.2	1.8	1.5	1.7
France .....	—	5.1	5.6	5.6	5.8	—	3.7	4.0	4.0	4.1	—	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0
Germany <sup>2</sup> .....	4.6	—	4.5	4.5	4.5	2.8	—	3.0	2.9	2.9	1.0	—	0.9	0.9	1.0
Greece .....	—	—	2.7	3.1	3.7	—	—	2.0	2.4	2.8	—	—	0.7	0.7	0.8
Hungary .....	—	5.0	5.9	5.7	4.9	—	3.5	4.1	3.9	3.3	—	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8
Iceland .....	—	4.3	4.6	4.5	4.5	—	3.3	3.5	3.4	3.4	—	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7
Ireland .....	5.6	4.7	5.1	5.1	4.7	4.0	3.3	3.6	3.6	3.3	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.9
Italy .....	4.7	5.8	5.0	4.6	4.5	3.2	4.1	3.5	3.3	3.2	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.7
Japan .....	—	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.6	—	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	—	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4
Korea .....	—	—	3.7	3.6	3.6	—	—	3.0	2.9	3.0	—	—	0.3	0.3	0.3
Luxembourg .....	—	—	—	—	4.3	—	—	—	—	4.2	—	—	—	—	0.1
Mexico .....	—	3.2	3.7	4.5	4.6	—	2.2	2.7	3.2	3.4	—	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.8
Netherlands .....	6.2	5.7	4.6	4.5	4.6	4.1	3.6	3.0	3.0	3.0	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.2	1.1
New Zealand .....	—	5.5	5.8	5.4	5.3	—	3.9	4.2	3.9	3.8	—	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1
Norway .....	5.1	6.2	6.8	6.9	6.8	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.1	0.7	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.5
Poland .....	—	—	—	—	5.2	—	—	—	—	3.3	—	—	—	—	0.8
Portugal .....	—	—	5.4	5.3	5.4	—	—	3.9	3.9	4.1	—	—	0.8	0.8	1.0
Russia .....	—	—	—	—	3.4	—	—	—	—	1.9	—	—	—	—	0.7
Spain .....	3.6	4.2	4.5	4.8	4.8	2.9	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.5	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8
Sweden .....	—	5.3	6.6	6.6	6.6	—	4.4	4.6	4.5	4.4	—	1.0	1.4	1.5	1.6
Switzerland .....	4.9	5.0	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.0	3.7	4.1	4.1	4.1	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
Turkey .....	—	3.2	3.3	3.3	2.2	—	2.3	2.4	2.1	1.4	—	0.9	0.8	1.2	0.8
United Kingdom .....	4.9	4.3	4.6	4.6	4.6	3.1	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.8	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
United States .....	4.7	5.3	5.0	4.8	5.0	3.2	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.5	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.1	1.1

<sup>1</sup> Includes preprimary and other expenditures not classified by level.<sup>2</sup> Data for 1985 refer to West Germany (Federal Republic of Germany before unification).

NOTE.—Direct public expenditure on educational services includes both amounts spent directly by governments to hire educational personnel and to procure other resources, and amounts provided by governments to public or private institutions. Figures

for 1985 also include transfers and payments to private entities, and thus are not strictly comparable with later figures.

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